

**Rye Mosquito Control Commission**  
**Tuesday, April 16, 2019**  
**5:00 p.m. - Rye Town Hall**

*Commissioners Present: Chairman Tom Aspinwall, Tim Sanborn and Denis Lipman*

*Others Present: Sarah MacGregor, Dragon Mosquito Control*

**I. Call to Order**

Chairman Aspinwall called the meeting to order at 5:11 p.m.

**II. Approval of minutes from March 19, 2019**

**Motion by Tom Aspinwall to approval of the minutes of March 19, 2019. Seconded by Denis Lipman. Vote: 2-0-1 Abstained: Tim Sanborn**

**III. New Business**

**1. Review timeline for 2019 and make additions and corrections.**

Chair Aspinwall had sent the proposed timeline to the members and Ms. MacGregor. He asked if anyone had any concerns, changes and/or additions.

Ms. MacGregor stated that she will still be larviciding until the middle of October so the final invoice would be in November. Where the meetings are late in the month, this would probably be the new normal.

Member Sanborn recommended adding September for the pickup and storage of the greenhead traps.

Ms. MacGregor noted that depending on the weather, they try to get them out by late August.

Member Lipman reminded Ms. MacGregor that there will need to be extra spraying before the Rye Day Celebration at Parson's Field and Goss Farm in August. He did not remember the actual date. Mr. Lipman stated that he will find out who the official coordinator of the program is.

Chair Aspinwall pointed out that they have never done any treatment at Goss Farm and there is a lot of mosquito habitat in that area.

Ms. MacGregor stated that they do larvicide in that area but she will follow up on this. She pointed out that is during the West Nile and EEE season. She stated that she could contact the Recreation Director, Lee Arthur.

Chair Aspinwall pointed out that Sally King would be in charge of the Goss Farm piece.

**2. Mosquito control season began the week of April 8<sup>th</sup>. What are the results of the initial surveys?**

Ms. MacGregor reported that April 8<sup>th</sup> was a rainy day so they built greenhead traps that day. She stated that depending on when the saltmarsh larviciding falls, they will be putting out the greenhead traps sometime in June. They will have them out well before July 1<sup>st</sup>. She stated that they are building about 16 new traps for Rye. Once they take a look at how the traps hold up this season, they will know how many will need to be replaced next season. They have been storing them inside Goss Barn so they have been holding up much better.

**3. Make a list of places we had put up mosquito and tick awareness posters. Check and see if posters are still there and replace if necessary. Are there more places that should have posters? There must be man posters from the original batch that should be disseminated.**

Member Lipman had some posters with him at the meeting and stated that that was what he had left. Member Sanborn said that he also has a few left. Chair Aspinwall reported that he had a couple dozen, also. Member Lipman stated that with what they all have; it was enough to get through this season. He recommended that they all should make a list of the places they put them up and email it to each other.

Chair Aspinwall recommended going back to last year's places and making sure they are still up and replacing them if needed.

#### **IV. Old Business**

Ms. MacGregor presented the packet of information that is given to the State. She pointed out that it references the permit number and includes the public notice that was posted, certified letter receipts that were sent to the beekeepers, a copy of letters to the beekeepers, a list of the beekeepers, and proof of the 'No Spray Registry'. She reported the town's permit to treat came in the first week of April. After the permit comes in the information packet is presented to the State before they give the verbal okay to start. She added that last week they got the okay from DRED to treat the salt marsh that they manage, (by Odiorne, Pollack, Marsh Road, and Recreation Road).

**II. Next Meeting Date May 21, 2019**

Member Lipman will not be able to attend the meeting of the 21<sup>st</sup>. The meeting will be held as scheduled.

**III. Adjournment**

**Motion by Denis Lipman to adjourn at 5:35 p.m. Seconded by Tim Sanborn. All in favor.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Dyana F. Ledger*